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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 11, 2008, transmitted herewith is an amendment and response to restriction requirement for filing in the above-identified application.

The August 11, 2008 Office Action set a one-month period of time for responding, i.e., September 11, 2008. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action, extending the period for reply to November 11, 2008.

The two-month extension fee of \$490.00 is being paid by credit card.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and/or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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